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January 18, 2010

Tracy Egoscue, Executive Officer Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013

RE: TENTATIVE ORDER FOR ISSUANCE OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS PROHIBITING DISCHARGE, MALIBU LA PAZ, 3700 LA PAZ LANE, MALIBU, CALIFORNIA (FILE NO. 08-101)

VIA EMAIL



Dear Ms. Egoscue,

The Malibu Surfing Association ("MSA") is one of California's first surfing clubs, organized by members of the Malibu community over 45 years ago. We're an all-volunteer organization dedicated to the fellowship of surfing and to the stewardship of our home break, historic Surfrider Beach. Please accept the following comments to the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board ("Regional Board") regarding the tentative order specifying waste discharge from the proposed development by Malibu La Paz Ranch LLC, located at 3700 La Paz Lane in the City of Malibu ("Order").

MSA supports the Order and believe it is consistent with the Regional Board's Resolution No. R4-2009-007 passed November 5, 2009 prohibiting on-site wastewater disposal systems in the Malibu Civic Center Area ("Prohibition"). However, we share the concerns raised and suggestions offered by Heal the Bay in their letter to the Regional Board of January 15, 2010, regarding any possibility of a waiver from Prohibition requirements. We reccommend by reference the suggested provisions outlined in their letter, specifically:

- : Regional Board should not consider future applications for this project until the Civic Center has a centralized wastewater facility in place
- : Regional Board should clarify to project applicants that any future application to discharge will not be consistent with the Order and will be rejected for this reason

We support the Regional Board's efforts through this Order to protect water quality in lower Malibu Creek, Malibu Lagoon, and Surfrider Beach and thank you for your consideration of these comments. Should you have any questions, please contact me by phone at 818.564.4217 or email at president@msasurfing.org.

Sincerely,

Michael Blum President

Malibu Surfing Association